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## **CARBONDALE MAN SENTENCED FOR FIREARMS OFFENSE**

Randy G. Massey, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on July 28, 2006, **RAYCINE M. LOVE**, age 26, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced in United States District Court in Benton. **LOVE**, who had previously pled guilty to a one-count indictment charging unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, was sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment, 3 years' supervised release, and was fined \$350.

The violation took place on December 2, 2005, in Jackson County.

The investigation was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Carbondale Police Department, and Jackson County Sheriff's Office pursuant to the Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative in the Southern District of Illinois. Under the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative, federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutors are working together to prosecute drug dealers, felons in possession of firearms, and criminals that use firearms to commit violent offenses or drug trafficking offenses.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Amanda A. Robertson.